

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PAUL SAMUEL JOHNSON,

No. 2:20-cv-0293 ACP

**Plaintiff,**

V.

**NOTICE OF RELATED CASES**

RUIZ, et al.,

## Defendants.

Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, seeks relief pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and has requested authority pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 to proceed in forma pauperis. ECF Nos. 1, 2. This proceeding was referred to this court by Local Rule 302 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B).

A review of this case indicates that it is related to the earlier-filed case Johnson v. Ruiz, No. 2:20-0291 EFB (“Ruiz I”), as relation is defined in Local Rule 123. Specifically, this case involves: (1) the same parties and is based on the same claims as Ruiz I; (2) the same events as Ruiz I, and (3) similar questions of fact and the same question of law as Ruiz I. See L.R. 123(a)(1)-(3).

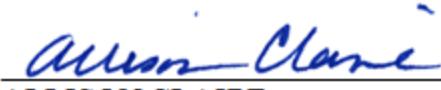
The assignment of the two cases to the same magistrate judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort because if the two actions were heard by different magistrate judges, a substantial duplication of labor would occur. See L.R. 123(a)(3)-(4). Therefore, this

1 case should be reassigned in accord with Local Rule 123(c).

2 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED that this case is related to Johnson v. Ruiz,  
3 No. 2:20-0291 EFB as defined in Local Rule 123(a)(1)-(4).

4 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this matter be reassigned accordingly, pursuant to Local  
5 Rule 123(c).

6 DATED: February 18, 2020

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9 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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